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I have not used either insulting or threatening language about you, nor yet about any one in your employment, unless you consider to be so, the truths I published about Plummer Dewar, in my letter No.6 to the said Congregation. Your clerks have all come regularly to my office about your business except him, his conduct to my sister in the church matter, was so atrocious, that I cut him off as a client; (and surely I have a right to say whom I shall take as a client), and sometime thereafter I exposed his conduct, as well as Inglis and his other infamous associates in these matters, in my said letter No.6, of date 15th December 1860; of both these you was well cognizant when same occurred, and found no fault to me with same, until your letter of 2nd inst. Mr. Dewar since such my said conduct, has been several times in my office about your business, and his *guilt* alone renders it unpleasant to him to meet me. Your expression, "ard our continuing their connection, shows that we consider you incorrect, to use the gentlest term," is clear proof, that you have approved, and do approve of his conduct, and of the more recent blackguard and ruffianly assault of me in the Church, and that you support him and them in the same; rather an ugly position for a *maker* of laws to sustain; our City Member, supporting to the utmost of his power such blackguardism and ruffianism, and trying to injure me to the extent of his little all, in his *threats* of the taking away of the business of his firm, *solely* because in the sustaining of my right, I have brought said Action, and will not relinquish the same.

As I never said to you, or to any one, that "I did not mean offence" to Dewar or to any of your clerks, so "for the sake of peace and old associations," there is nothing for you to accept of.

You have thus made most grave and weighty charges against me, which *if true*, stamp me as a low base scoundrel; and *if false, as the same are*, must stamp the author of same, as a low base scoundrel. So long as you refuse, (as you do by your letter of 2nd instant,) to place these general charges, in such a position, and give me your authority and proof thereof, so that I can take up same, and shew same to be utterly false. *I hold you as the author of same; and it is utterly impossible for me, as I feel it must be for every honest man, to maintain business relations with one who will so act, as I cannot meet you as my client, either with confidence or respect for myself, or for you.*

As you still in your said letter of 2nd instant offer to continue my client, if I will say nothing more about these matters, such